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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-11, 13-26, and 31-38 were pending. Claims 10, 19-26, 32-34, 35 and 36 have been canceled without prejudice. Claim 31 has been amended. Support for the claim amendments can be found throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

The claim amendments made herein should not be construed to be an acquiescence to any of the claim rejections. Rather, these actions are being made solely to expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application. The Applicants expressly reserve the right to further prosecute the same or similar claims in subsequent patent applications claiming the benefit of priority to the instant application. 35 USC § 120.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 34 and 37 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected claim. The Applicants have amended claim 31 to reflect the limitation of claim 34, and canceled claim 34. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the claim objections.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 1, 3-9, 11, 13-18 and 38 are allowable. Based on the claim amendment and cancelations presented herein, the Applicants respectfully contend all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

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FEES

The Applicants believe that they have provided for all required fees in connection with the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fee to our Deposit Account, 06-1448, Reference MTV-055.01.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections. The Applicants thank the Examiner for careful consideration of the present case. If a telephone conversation with the Applicants' Attorney would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned.

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